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EPA Announcement on Dimock triggers media blitz. A Region 3 news release announcing EPA plans to perform water sampling at 61 homes in Dimock, Pa. led to numerous media inquiries from from local and national news media including Associated Press, Philadelphia Inquirer, Scranton Times-Tribune, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, and CBS-News. EPA's decision to conduct sampling was based on EPA's review of data provided by residents, Cabot Oil and Gas, and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The news release also announced that EPA is taking action to ensure delivery of temporary water supplies to four homes where data indicates residents' well water contains levels of contaminants that pose a health concern. As part of the media rollout, RA Shawn Garvin was interviewed by reporters from the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Scranton Times-Tribune. Much of the news coverage focused on how Dimock residents were pleased to see that EPA was getting more involved in assessing water quality in their community. (Roy Seneca 814-5567 and Terri White 814-5523)

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